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By a Captain of the U. S. Dragoons.

CHAPTER VIII.

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After the attack of August 3d, our camps were formed in an order more suitable to our circumstances; in a square open at the corners; a company in a single row of tents on each side; and across the angles, slightly masking the flanks of each company, were four rows of wagons; the whole forming a kind of octagon. The cattle, always yoked, were grazed at a more cautious distance, and at night were tied to the wagon wheels.

We were instructed to wait here for the return of the caravan, expected early in October. Our provisions consisted of salt, and half rations of flour, (besides a reserve of fifteen days' full rations,) and as to the rest we were dependent upon hunting. When buffalo became scarce, or grass bad, we marched to other ground; thus roving up and down the river for 80 miles. The first thing after encamping each company, we dug and constructed, with flour barrels, a well in their front; water was always found at the depth of from two to four feet; varying with the corresponding height of the river; but clear and cool. Next we would build sod fire-places; these, with net-work platforms of buffalo hide, for the purpose of smoking and drying meat, formed a tolerable additional defence—at least against mounted men.

Hunting was a military duty, done by detail; parties of fifteen or twenty going out with a wagon, They threw out three or four hunters, and remained under arms for the purpose of protecting them &c. Completely isolated, and beyond support, or even communication, self-dependent in any emergency that might arise, and in the midst of many thousands of Indians whose concentration our long stay seemed to invite, the utmost vigilance was maintained. Officer of the guard every fourth night, I was always awake, and generally in motion the whole night. Night alarms were frequent; when, all sleeping in their clothes, we were accustomed to assemble instantly, and with scarcely a word spoken, take our places in the grass in front of each face of the camp; where, however wet, we sometimes lay for hours. I never failed for months to sleep in pantaloons and moccasins, with pistols, and a loose woollen coat for pillow; my sword stuck in the ground in the mouth of the tent, with my cap upon the hilt; and although I have often slept undisturbed at the firing of a cannon thirty paces off, here, always after the firing of a musket if 500 yards off, in less than ten seconds I was out of my tent, prepared to perform my duty.

August 11th. We are encamped in our new order, a few miles below Chouteau's island. An alarm was given, and we were under arms for an hour until daylight. During the morning, Indians were to be seen a mile or two off, leading their horses through the hollows. Captain P., however, with eighteen men, a wagon and team, were sent across the river after buffalo, which we saw half a mile distant. In his absence, a large body of mounted Indians dashed down toward our left flank; the cattle were secured in good time. Captain W., with his company, of which I was Lieutenant, was ordered to cross the river and support Captain P. We waded in some disorder through the quicksands and currents, and just as we reached a dry sand-bar in the middle, a volley was fired at us by a squad of Indians, who that moment rode to the water's edge. The balls whistled harmlessly near our heads; and w shing to return the compliment instantly before they fled, I stooped down and the company fired over my head, and the Indians retreated beyond the more elevated margin of the prairie bottom. This had passed in half a minute, and we were then astonished to see a little above, among some bushes on the same bar, the party we had been sent to support; and we heard they had abandoned one of the hunters who had been killed. We then saw above, on the bank we had left, a formidable looking body of the enemy in close order; and hoping to surprise them, we ascended the river; in crossing the channel we were up to the arm-pits, but when we emerged on the bank they were not there; they had detected the movement and fled. We then rested on our arms, and saw a discharge of canister shot from the 6-pounder in camp, at the flying Indians; and one, though galloping across the line of fire, was struck from his horse. Instantly two or three others approached at full speed, replaced him on his horse, and rode off on each side of him. Casting our eyes beyond the river, I saw a number of the Indians riding on both sides of the wagon and team, which Capt. P. had deserted, urging the animals rapidly towards the hills. I counted the Indians on that side, and there were but eighteen. At the same instant Captain W. received an order through the Adjutant, to cross and recover the body of the slain hunter. On reaching the ground, we found the body within the distance, as we were told, from whence the party, by order of Captain P., had made their precipitate retreat, although his cries were heard for support. It was an old soldier, and a favorite, bugler K. I saw an arrow which had been driven through his huge chest, from side to side; the scalp was gone.

We were then astonished to see the wagon and team at a distance, and no enemy near; and on approaching were still more so, at finding the oxen unwounded. I was then refused the indepedent command of a platoon, with which I wished to try some experiments with the Indians, who were still in sight above. I was much disgusted, at such a time, with the idea of cutting up buffalo, which had been killed on the ground, and transporting them into camp. But I had to perform this duty.

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And now a storm came on. Signal smokes rolled in eddies over the surrounding hills, and on their tops were our foes, motionless on their horses, revealed like spectres by the glare of the lightning Divisions had grown among them, and they looked on and did nothing. There was a wild gloom over nature and over the spirits of our little band; and rumors of a life lost by cowardice and misconduct seemed to be strangely amongst us, although no man was heard to utter a word to create them. A corpse lay on the earth in our midst, and a voice for the vengeance of blood seemed still heard in the moaning winds There was a strange excitement, and a solemn silence, as night fell in a raging storm. Darkness seemed to wall us in. The waters rushed through the camp; it seemed that the river had turned its course. I never passed a more wretched or melancholy night.

August 12th. A morning bright and serene as ever made man happy, fills all with cheerfulness again. With the black and tempest-driven clouds, the dark passions and the gloom over our hearts had passed away; and the little band, in solemn silence, were gathered together to perform the last services to the dead—to consign to the bosom of the distant wilderness the remains of their unfortunate companion.

It was a humiliating condition to be surrounded by these rascally Indians, who, by means of their horses, could tantalize us with the hopes of battle, and elude our efforts; who could annoy us by preventing all individual excursions for hunting, &c., and who could insult us with impunity. Much did we regret that we were not mounted too; and I believe nearly all prayed that the enemy would become bolder, and enliven us with frequent attacks; but this was their last open attack, though they were frequently seen hovering around; and the running of buffalo was a sign of their vicinity frequently observed on our buffalo hunts. It is known that they crawl to the tops of commanding hills, and using the head and skin of a wolf as a mask, spy out the motions of an enemy, with little or no risk of discovery; but despising us—wholly on the defensive—they now took not this trouble, but appeared openly on the hills. We learned afterwards, through Mexican traders, that our motions had been watched the whole way from Council Grove; whilst we, concluding from appearances scarcely conceived that a human being could be within hundreds of miles of us. The spies who had watched us reported our coming in great force and *with white buffalo*. It would seem that these Indians had never seen the ox before. We saw a singular proof of the ignorant interest with which they regarded this animal, a few days after the action of Chouteau's island. One of the oxen of a team that had fallen into their hands somehow escaped, and appeared on the river bank, opposite to our camp, making its way to water. It was secured, and I was sent across to search for the others in the country around. After going some miles, we found their carcasses among the sand-hills, *with all the white spots carefully cut out from the rest of the hide*. These pieces of white were doubtless taken away by the Indians as trophies.

Unfortunately but few books had been provided—Shakspeare, a copy of the old regulations, and but one or two others; all of which I read regularly through, and the first named more than once. Hunting, except by detachment, was dangerous, and forbidden; but occasionally an antelope or a deer was killed. Of that singular animal—the antelope—we saw great numbers; and in the fall, once or twice, many hundreds in a gang, which, all of one accord, would dash hither and thither with wonderful swiftness, looking at a distance like the shadow of a moving cloud. There was a remarkable species of hare, near twice the size of the eastern; the fleetest of the prairie animals, though in very tall grass they were easily caught. I had a nearly tame one, which fed on rushes, which would disappear in its mouth as if pushed through a hole. Badgers were common; and prairie foxes of light and elegant proportions. We met with many prairie dog "villages;" whole acres of their burrows, with entrances in a small mound; the animal more resembles a ground squirrel than a dog; being of the same color, and not more than thrice the size. They are very shy, and quick as light in their motions; they come to the mouths of their holes, and bark at intruders; it is a bark, in manner of utterance, but of a treble intonation, more resembling that of a bird than of a dog. Of wolves there were thousands of all kinds and sizes, except the large black-wood wolf; never an hour of a night passed without the accompaniment of their howls—even by day they were to be seen around. One dark night, being officer of the guard, I advanced some 200 paces to a spot where there was an excavation and a small mound of earth, and where garbarge had been thrown; from the mound I saw perhaps a dozen snarling over their unclean food; sword in hand, I sprang down among them; they scattered, but I did not stay long to see how far. Rattlesnakes were very numerous, and dangerous; we lost several horses by their bites. Wild horses we saw frequently, but not many. A horse which we lost August 3d, was recovered from a gang a month or two afterwards. We only saw elk once, about 200 altogether. Buffalo, wolves, rattlesnakes, and grasshoppers, seemed to fill up the country.

But to return to our occupations. We fished a little; hunted, and read a very little; and the only alternative seemed the manufacture of buffalo horns into powder horns. Hundreds were made in the camp, and some very beautiful; the horn is quite black, and receives a fine polish, and being exceedingly thick, they admit of much carving; with the laborious and patient care of Chinese, many were carved and inlaid with bone; but many other articles were made—spoons, combs, cups, buttons, *wine-glasses*, &c.; some very pretty pocket combs, with white handles, were made by one of the men.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

CASUALTIES.—Patrick Murthe, a member of Hose Company 31 of New York, was run over by Engine 44, in Chatham street. The wheels passed over his head, killing him instantly.

Samuel Tuhill, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 of Brooklyn, was killed by the fall of a wall at the burning of Poplar Hall in that city, on Monday, January 8. His funeral was attended by nearly the entire Department.

Baltimore.

☞ We copy the following letter from the New York *Mercury:*

BALTIMORE, Jan. 14, 1857.

First Baltimore Hose Company No. 10 is located in a commodious three-story building on McClellan street, between Baltimore and Fayette. Though having the name of hose company, they are, nevertheless, a suction company, having, I believe, derived the above title from their being first to introduce hose in the city. A portion of the first floor is used as a "machinery" room, containing two suctions, three tenders, and over two thousand feet of hose in good condition. Adjoining is a neatly fitted room used for sitting and smoking, where, around the huge stove that heats the entire building, may be found, before "turning in hours," a gay set of 10's discussing the topics of the day, except in case they have just returned from duty, when the discussion is changed to the hot coffee, &c., that is set before them. In the rear of the sitting room is a wash-room, &c., with all the comforts necessary. Ascending the stairway, you are in the meeting and library room, divided by folding-doors, excepting on meeting nights, when the whole room is thrown open, giving them sixty by twenty to transact their business in. This room is handsomely furnished; the ceiling is ornamented by fancy plaster work, whilst the walls, of snowy whiteness, are perfectly plain. Two magnificent chandeliers, suspended from the ceiling, together with the fine carpeting, handsome tapestry, and rich furniture, renders the room unequaled in the city. Their library embraces many valuable books, whilst on the centre table the weekly newspapers (not forgetting the *Mercury*) may be always found. A small room adjoining is fitted up in a business-like manner, to serve the purposes of the officers, committees, &c. Continuing up the aforesaid stairway, you find another small room and water-closet, on the right of which is the bunk-room, the full depth of the building furnished with iron bedsteads, bedding, &c., and a number of equipment closets, for the accommodation of twenty-members. The floor is carpeted, whilst the walls are embellished with a number of fine prints and French engravings. Ascending from the bunk-room, you are in the steeple one hundred and ten feet above the sidewalk, commanding a fine view over the entire city. Suspended in the steeple is a chime of two bells weighing 4,000 pounds.

The bunkers in the "Balty" average from fourteen to twenty per night; and, as regards activity, they can be classed second to none.

No. 10's active roll calls for sixty members, a great portion of which are young men whose aim is to make "good time," and when on the fire ground to do good duty. The latter motto none can doubt, for it is indeed well carried out.

The annual income of the company is $2,500, derived from subscription members, appropriations from the city, and dividends on stock owned by the company.

United Engine Company No. 11 is located in a handsome three-story brick building in South Howard, near Pratt street, the front of which is ornamented with carved lintels, in imitation of brown stone, and small iron porticos in front of the windows. No. 11's handsome machinery on the first floor consists of one nine and a half-inch first-class spouting engine, one suction engine, and two tenders, with twelve hundred feet of hose. A wide passage from the street leads to the meeting-room on the second floor, neatly fitted up with benches, rostrums, &c. In this room hangs a number of caps, capes, &c., exchanged by No. 11's men whilst on their visit to New York and Philadelphia some years since. A fine oil painting, in the shape of a banner, representing the saving of a child from a fire in Howard street, by one of the members, several years ago, also occupies a prominent position in the room. Adjoining is a small room for the bunkers, but at present not fitted up. The third story is used as a storing room, and not fitted up in any way. A handsome display of architecture, in the form of a cupola, in which is suspended a 2,500 pound swinging bell, surmounts the building.

As I stated in my account of Rodgers' shop, some weeks since, the United Engine threw at a trial test 227 feet, being the best throw ever made in this city. As a mark of that trophy, a silver plate was placed on the engine room door, and still remains there, bearing the poetic motto, "United we stand; 227 feet, and can't be beat."

The daily papers announce the intention of Engine 34, of New York, to visit Washington to witness the inauguration. As yet, none of our companies have been notified of their intention to stop here.

There is strong talk among some of our companies of dispensing with the present useless number of officers, and adopting the New York plan of foremen and assistants. Some of our fire companies have as high as fifteen officers, from the President down, all of whom have a "put" on the fire ground "when out," rendering it impossible for the privates to know what to do, owing to the numerous conflicting orders. It is a good idea, and it is to be hoped may be carried out.

From an interesting fire record kept by the active and worthy president of Engine Company No 1, I learn we have had, during the past year, 341 fires, 138 false alarms, and altogether 479.

I am, yours, &c.,

ON DECK.

Never Throw up Your Cards.

The philosopher of the Philadelphia *Sunday Transcript* says that however desperate the game may be "never throw up your cards." There is wisdom in this. A few years since Botts purchased a lot of stocks, on speculation. The next day the bottom fell out of the money market—stocks took a tumble. Botts was seized with fear and trembling. To prevent being ruined he increased the flavor of his coffee one morning, by adding sixpence worth of arsenic to it. Poor fellow, had he played out his cards, he would have made a thousand dollars by the operation. A few weeks after he was "fenced in with mahogany," stocks took a turn and went up like balloons. Wiggins some six months since, endorsed for a friend, and to the extent of $50,000. His friend could not meet his engagements. The notes were protested—Wiggins took to drink—drink brought on delirium tremens, a shaved head, and a visit to the lunatic asylum. Wiggins threw up his cards too early. His friend met with a wind fall the next week—paid off his indebtedness, and is now one of the richest men in the city. Wiggins, we regret to say, is still at the asylum. He enjoys good health. but will have it that he is "a mud machine, without diggers." Again we say, never throw down your cards, but play out the game.

[From the New York Dispatch.]

Getty Gay on Low-Necked Dresses.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26, 1856.

MY DEAR MR. EDITOR: And so you would like to know my opinion on low-necked dresses, would you? Well, you shall have it for what it is worth; and, though my ability is small, my intentions are excellent, and what I do is done with all my heart, even to "speaking the naked truth at all times," as you say. But the subject of low-necked dresses is rather a delicate one, and I hardly know how to approach it at all. It should be handled very nicely, for there are strong prejudices in the minds of many people, both *pro* and *con*. But to be honest, and express my opinion, I do not believe that anybody ever was opposed to *reasonably* low-necked dresses, save scrawny old maids or worn out old bachelors. Now, it is well known that, when the mother of us all, Mrs. Eve, was in a state of innocence and purity, she dispensed with dresses altogether, and there is nothing on record to show that Adam blushed when he looked on his rib, or that she felt any compunctions of conscience at all about it. But no sooner did she make a *faux pas*, and listen to the words of the tempter, than she went to work to exercise her ingenuity in the art of dress-making, and got up an extempore sort of *demi toilette* out of fig-leaves; so that it was not till after she had lost the perfection of her modesty that she had any idea that she was immodest. Her daughters, too, profited by the maternal example; and, as they became more and more wicked and refined, added garment to garment, till women looked like bundles of dry goods, and waddled along, their fleshy components hidden in balloons of tape, white muslin, and crinoline. My grandmother tells me that it is not so very many years ago since a great fuss was made because women wore their dresses so high! and cross old bachelois, and crosser old maids, who had no "symmetry" to boast of, used to be able to add a nicely turned ancle to the list of their charms; and raised such a terrible din about their ears, that they were glad to pull their dresses down a foot or two, and then a yard or two, till every woman resembled a locomotive, and drew a long *train* behind her. So you see that, do as we will, the world will not be satisfied, and we shall ever be too high or too low to please the male and female "Miss Nancies" in creation. Now, I do admit that there are some women in the world on whom a low-necked dress would be an absolute wickedness, which could serve no good purpose either useful or ornamental, without it might be to enable some poor medical student, who could not indulge in the luxury of a "head and shoulders," to study the structure of the "bony system" from their exposed anatomy. And I do not think that even such facilities could justify them in inflicting such torture as they do upon all who look at them. It is painful in the extreme to meet such *cases*. I have one in my eye just now, but as she has on a high-necked dress at present, I shall not expose her, and she, as well as you, ought to be much obliged to me for my forbearance. Now the whole thing lies in a nut-shell. If a woman has a good bust, a pretty neck, nicely set on good plump shoulders, and looks healthy and rosy, I see no good reason why she should encase herself to the chin in stiff muslin and silk. A man of refinement gazes on a lovely woman with pure eyes, as an artist gazes on a picture; for, to the pure all things are pure, and I don't believe in making deformities of ourselves, or hiding our light under a bushel to please prudes, who are envious because they have no light to hide. A truly virtuous woman is always a modest woman, and no virtuous woman will ever make a vain display of her charms or seek to inspire anything but pure thoughts in others. As for those ghouls and brutes in human form, who only see in a beautiful woman incentives to unholy thoughts, I ignore them altogether. I would not dress to please them nor to displease them; they are worthy of no consideration, and should not be taken into account. Every woman knows in what style of costume she appears to the best advantage; if she does not, she is no daughter of Eve; and, so long as women are pure in heart, there is no danger that they will "overstep the modesty of nature" in dressing according to their tastes; while, if they are not pure, though they wore a salt sack tied over their ears, they could not disguise their moral deformity. Men who don't like low-neck dress are under no obligation to look at those who wear them. All they have to do is to look another way—*if they can*. And the women who dislike them because they are not adapted to their style or because they are too prudish to wear them, can either put their heads in a bag or turn up their noses till they are tired of the exercise. I have not said all I think, for I think a good deal more than I dare say, but I have said enough to give you all you wanted—my opinion. If you like it, well—if not, I cant help it. It is my opinion, and I shall stick to it.

"Honi soit qui mal y pense."

Yours, independently,

GETTY GAY.

THE LATEST ANECDOTE OF ROSSINI.—A poor organ grinder stopped one day on the Boulevard, at Paris, and began playing the air "Di Tanti Palpiti." A crowd collected around him, and all at once an old gentleman pushed forward and cried out: "Quicker, quicker, I tell you it is allegro." "Sir," said the lad, "I do not know what you mean." "Then I will show you," and suiting the action to the word, he commenced turning the handle of the organ at a furious rate. The day after, he again stopped at the same spot, and played the same air in much quicker time, just as he had been told. "Bravo!" cried a voice from the balcony of a house, and at the same moment a piece of money, wrapped up in a paper, was thrown out to recompense the organ grinder. The paper, instead of a simple sou, contained a double Napoleon, and the old gentleman who had acted thus was Rossini himself.

LOVE AFTER MARRIAGE.—This is the title of a new book by Mrs. Caroline Lee Hentz, in press, and published on the 31st ult. by T. B. Peterson, 102 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

Mrs. Hentz was one of our most successful writers. There is not a woman in America whose tales have been more steadily and uniformly popular. Her works are written with much power, and and have a classic beauty of diction and grace of style which cannot fail to give them a high place in the literature of our land.

Copies of either edition of the work will be sent to any part of the United States *free of postage*, on remitting the price of the edition they may wish, to the publisher in a letter.

Going to the Theatre.

"Glorious! isn't she?" "Glorious, indeed!" So they said when the star came out with a princess-air and a tragedy sweep, and her deep, rich voice rang over the crowded throng, while thousands, spell-bound, listened with tears and smiles.

Could they have seen her but a little hour before, bending in agony beside the death-struck form of her beautiful babe, what then would they have thought of their favorite? Those hands gleaming with jewels had wiped off the death-dew and straightened the cold limbs, and then, oh! agony, the painted stage called her to laugh and sing and shout, when under that rich vestment that poor heart was all but broken.

The festive hour is past. The star is weeping bitter tears over that still white form, with its little hands folded on its pulseless breast. Where are the brilliant throng?—where the liveried menial and the haughty prince, whose strut of an hour held so many bright eyes in bondage? The last echo of the last retreating footstep is gone; the long line of carriages stretching from post to post under the gas-lights rattled away with their living burdens. Pride, envy, malice, guilt, hate, love, and jealousy have left the pit and the boxes, as their counterfeit has faded from the stage. One solitary light trembles along the line of the old green curtain. The pasteboard palace and the canvass street, the painted prison, with its huge bars, bolts, and chains—of paper, the waterfall, turned by a crank (oh! shades of the alps, with thy dashing streams), rest in tarnished glory till to-morrow's gas-light makes them brilliant.

How hideous seems the gloom! how ghastly the white and gilded cornices that peep under shadows into the dim darkness! Look back over the late hours in which we have been striving to deceive ourselves; but where was the use? We knew the king was not a king, spite of his peacock train and his lofty air, at which now we laugh. The populace, consisting of four soldiers and a boy, piped their weak voices and cried "Hurrah!" The battle-axes were pasteboard. The queen was thrown into prison in a white satin dress and jewels. The distracted lover knelt to a withered belle of sixty, and vowed she was divine. A man shouted that the battle went bravely, when everybody knew that there wasn't any battle at all. A murderer groped about in the dark for his victim, while the stage was as bright as day.

Somebody cried out that he stood on old England's soil, while everybody could see that it was American pine plank. The sheet-iron thunder pealed with deafening power, the blue lightning flashed, and the mimic rain poured; it was excessively laughable to see people floundering about on dry land, and crying out that they were drenched to the skin. Innumerable farewells were taken, and departures to distant lands, whose boundaries lay in the green-room. Years passed in a single moment; old Time was fairly annihilated. Inexpressibly affecting was the sight of the hero killed with a wooden sword, dying so unnaturally; and refreshing to imagine the tears shed by affiicted heroines under the corners of dimity aprons.

Well, the mimic scenes are over, and, like the poor actress, whose bright eyes and wild, eager personations brought down the house, we, too, will go home to life's realities.

Perhaps some of us had better have been there before; better have spent the paltry change in some little luxury for an invalid wife—but we won't reflect.—*Peterson's Magazine.*

A STREET INCIDENT.—A full-rigged maid of fashion, with hoops all boldly set, moved *up* the sidewalk gaily, observed of all she met. The walk was very wide, but two-hooped skirts were much wider, and 'twere useless e'en to think of walking up beside her. Her cheeks were "red as roses," her face was all a smile, her tread, it was as dainty as though earth was all "too vile." It was her hour of triumph, and she didn't seem to know that a coasting sleigh was coming at a speed not very slow. But it came, and 'ere she knew it, her "props" were knocked away, and she was going down street with a boy upon his sleigh. The wind blew quite roughly, ,turning all the hoops aback, and of partly smothered screams there wasnt any lack; while the lady didn't know what she was or wasn't about, her person much resembling an umbrella inside out The passers stopped and wondered, as the swiftly speeding sleigh devoutly kept onward, rushing past and fast away; the boy cried "road" and liked it, and safely shied his sled, with his own feet pointing backwards, and the maids thrown out ahead.

They gained the level safely, and the maiden, full of wrath, looked back in angered silence upon their traveled path. "You good-for-nothing scamp," she said, "I've a mind to shake you well." "Your face was covered up, mem, and you know *I'll* never tell," said the coasting lad quite boldly, and, in a jovialmood, he bowed and said, "Good morning, mem; *you held your feet up good—you did!*"

THE FIREMAN'S JOURNAL.—We would call the attention of the firemen of this city to the fact that Mr. M. D. Boruck, the originator of this well-conducted journal, is now in this city, and would be happy to receive subscriptions for the same. The firemen in this State are an important portion of the community; more so, perhaps, than in any other State. There are few of our citizens but have at one time belonged to some of our fire associations, as the common danger to all in times past required the labor of all good citizens in the work of preventing or extinguishing the dreadful conflagrations with which our cities have been visited. Those who are not now active members have a strong sympathy left with those that are "running," and an interest in fire matters generally. It is natural to suppose, therefore, that Mr. Boruck, who has spent much labor to make his paper interesting to the firemen, will meet with good success. The *Journal* makes a good family paper also.

Democratic State Journal.

AN EDITOR'S VALEDICTORY.—One of the fraternity out West, who appears to have become disgusted with the profession, assigns the following reason for vacating his chair: "The undersigned retired from the tripod with the complete conviction that all is vanity. From the hour he started his paper to the present time, he has been solicited to lie on every given subject, and can't remember having told a wholesome truth without diminishing his subscription list, or making an enemy. Under these circumstances of trial, and having a thorough contempt for himself, he retires in order to recruit his moral constitution."

Fitch.

"But past is all his fame. The very spot
Where many a time he triumph'd, is forgot."

Basil Hall, in his travels in America, has attempted to throw some light on the question, who was the first person that applied the power of steam to the propelling of boats? In this attempt, he has discovered an evident prejudice in favoring his own countrymen, which warps his judgement, and disqualifies him from judging of others according to their merits. Among others, he has mentioned John Fitch as being among the early inventors of steamboat navigation, and says his plan on trial, proved defective, and was abandoned. This, in my opinion, was not doing Fitch that justice his efforts deserved. He undoubtedly was the man who first applied the power of steam to the paddles of a boat, with complete success, in America.

I resided in Philadelphia from 1787 to 1793, and knew Fitch. He was one of those ardent spirits, who, in the march of improvement was calculated to take the lead. Although illiterate, he possessed a strong penetrative mind, and untiring industry. He had a just conception of the power of steam, and great mechanical genius in applying it to machinery. At this time, it was a subject which but slightly engaged the attention of the scientific part of society; yet he prevailed on a considerable number of liberal minded gentlemen, to subscribe and form a company for the encouragement of steam navigation. This was no doubt the first association of the kind in America They had a boat constructed of about fifty tons burthen, and gave Fitch the direction and management of the machinery. It was rude and imperfect; the iron of the boiler was too thin to withstand the pressure of the steam, and it gave way, which occasioned some delay to the experiment The boat was put in operation in 1788, and performed a number of trips on the Delaware, to Bordentown, Bristol, and Burlington. I was standing on the wharf when the boat came by, on her way to Burlington, and being invited with others to make the trip, I went on board,—we made good headway against the current of the river, generally at the rate of five miles an hour. The boat was propelled by five paddles over the stern, on a crank, which had a rising pulley, turned by a chain of short links, made in the form of a watch chain, and extending to the shaft of the balance wheel, on which was a corresponding pulley; the chain and paddles worked very roughly, and produced a great clatter; the extra steam was discharged through a short tube, which kept all hands at a respectful distance. Yet, on the whole, it was a very fair experiment, which did much credit to the projector, and did much to settle the question of the practicability of steam navigation. But poor Fitch was doomed to see all his hopes blasted in one night; a fire consumed the boat as low as the water would permit; the company abandoned the project, and he was left to make the most of his improvement in another quarter. He offered his invention to the French on the Mississippi, this river not being open to Northern enterprise; a period of ten or fifteen years passed over before the attempt at steam navigation was resumed, and Fulton did not perfect his impovements until the year 1807, about twenty years after the successful experiment of Fitch. Poor and neglected John Fitch wandered over the far West, "and none so poor to do him reverence:" his active spirit left its house of clay; and his bones lie mouldering on the banks of the Ohio.

SLEEPING ON A RAIL.—A young merchant of this city, who, with his family, resides in Newport, Kentucky, had occasion, a few weeks since, to visit Dayton on business. As he was to be absent several days, his lady resolved to pass the time at her mother's—the old homestead—about four miles south of the Ohio river. The venerable old lady, from her numerous descendants, is called by every one who knows her, and is familiar in the family, "Grandma," even by the servants of families in the neighborhood. Our friend's wife accordinly left her home, with her babe, to make the proposed visit, at the same time her husband left for Dayton. His business over there, he returned home, forgetting the promise he had made to his wife, to drive out to "Grandma's," instead of stopping at his house in Newport. But, by an unfortunate accident, on reaching Cincinnati, about 9 o'clock P. M., he fell in with a small party of his young friends, with whom, after an *indulgement* of five or six hours in the excesses of Bacchanalian luxuries, he started for home. Toward morning he reached his house, and fearing to face an expected curtain lecture, withdrew his boots, and taking them in his hand, silently as possible ascended to his bed-chamber. Not a sound was heard, or a snoring note, as he cautiously disrobed, congratulating himself that his wife was enjoying a delicious sleep, and he would, consequently, escape a lecture. So, softly raising blankets, linen, etc., of the bed, he, creeping quietly up, laid himself out on the very edge of the rail. Listening awhile, and happy in the thought that his wife was unconscious of the lateness of the hour of his return home, he fell into a sound sleep. During the night he was awakened by a sound corresponding to the fall of a person from a bed, and fearing it was his little child, he suddenly and nervously sprang up, and quickly discovered it was himself, instead of the babe, that had tumbled out upon the floor. Again he listened for an exclamation and lecture from his wife, but all was still; so, quietly resuming his repose on the *rail*, he fell off into another sleep. Just as the opening day came, he awoke, and carefully gathering up his clothes, proceeded to another room to dress, lest he should awake the madam. On going down to the kitchen, he found a black girl making a fire, preparatory to breakfast, and said to her: "Jane, your mistress was not well during the night—let her sleep as long as she will this morning; tell her that I have business which calls me to Cincinnati early, and that I will take breakfast over there." "Why de Lor, master, *misses done been out to Grandma's dis tree days.*" Our young friend forthwith left the premises, leaving "Jane"—a favorite servant—rolling over the floor, convulsed with laughter at her master having slept all night alone, and yet believing her beautiful mistress was lying by his side.

TROY.—The annual election for officers of the Fire Department took place on January 13. The following gentlemen were duly elected: President, L. A. Rosseau; Vice President, Philander White; Secretary, H. F. Prescott; Treasurer, Sam O. Gleason; Chief Engineer, Wm. Madden; First Assistant, R. V. Freeman; Second Assistant, William A. Simmons; Third Assistant, John Christie; Fourth Assistant, John Rodgers. The election was made by the Board of Trustees.

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FRANKLIN L. JONES.—Though opposed to the introduction of politics in our columns, we cannot refrain from expressing our gratification at the nomination of Mr. Franklin L. Jones Ex-President of the Fire Department for the Senatorial vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Hon. Frank Tilford. Intimately acquainted as we are with Mr. Jones we have no hesitation in expressing our opinion as to his entire fitness for the position he aspires to; a thorough parliamentarian, a ready debater, and possessed of a great fund of general information, we are confident that should he be elected he will ably and faithfully represent his constituency.

To the Fire Department his election would be of incalculable benefit. Being Chairman of the Judiciary committee of the Board of Delegates, most of the new Act now before the Legislature, was suggested and collated by him, and, to his exertions and labors, ably assisted by the remainder of the committee, is the department indebted for the admirable code of laws now governing it. This system needs being perfected; the approval of the Legislature is necessary, and who is so fit to urge and explain the various provisions of the Act as the gentleman whose name heads this column. Again we say we are glad Mr. Jones is nominated, and trust he will be elected; not only for the sake of the Department but because we know him to be both honest and capable,

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We understand there is a disposition abroad, to run Independent fire companies in this city on the ground that any body of citizens have a right to band themselves together, for the protection of their neighbor's property if they feel so disposed. Now that reason is a good one as far as it goes, but it don't go quite far enough for us. We contend the Fire Department as it is at present organized, (with the single addition of a hose company), is large enough to protect the city from any danger from fire which may from time to time threaten it, for the next ten years. It is a well known fact that in the law which went into effect on the 1st January 1853 exempting firemen from jury duty, the Department cannot until 1863 exceed twenty companies; there are already seventeen companies in the Organization, and if at any time it should seem requisite to increase its force, the Board of Delegates have the power to do so whenever appealed to upon the subject. Independent companies, not under the control of the proper officers of the Department, we have always looked upon as a bane to the regularly organized companies. We opposed "Volunteer 7," and "Tiger 14," on that ground, and shall continue to oppose everything of the kind as long as we are a member of the Fire Department, and hold the position we occupy in this paper. The very moment an Independent company is allowed to run and interfere with the duties of the actual members of the Fire Department, that very moment discord and disorganization ensue. Whatever credit there may be attached to the prompt subduing of a conflagration, or the saving of life, should rest where it properly belongs, on the *bona fide* members of the association, and not be pirated away from them by those who rally under the black flag of "Independent's." Under any circumstances however it is illegal for the Chief Engineer of the Department to recognize associations under the name of Independent fire companies, and we very much mistake the character of Chief Engineer Whitney, if he permits any innovation of the kind upon the rights and privileges of the members of the Fire Department; and, if it should be allowed, we trust the firemen will resist such an interference to the greatest extent, let the results be what they may.

The annual report of the American Dramatic Fund Association for 1856, has been kindly sent us by Mr. Charles Pope for which we return our acknowledgements to that gentleman. It contains a variety of interesting information relative to the association, entertaining and valuable at the same time. From a perusal of it, we find the present invested capital is $32,594,81, from which an annual revenue of $5,537,00 is derived. The association is not a local one, but one altogether National, open alike to every actor or actress in the United States, without restriction from age or length of service in any particular theatre, town, or city. It is an institution worthy and noble in aims and accomplishments and entitled to support from every community.

In looking over the list of donations by members of the association, California is entirely unrepresented, and while benefits are given in various portions of the Atlantic States in aid of the funds of the association, the richest State in the Union remains silent upon the matter. The annual meeting takes place in New York on the 10th April; the proceeds of a benefit, given in aid of the fund, and sent on by the next steamer, would reach there in ample time, and would be a source of great gratification to the theatrical world. There is plenty of talent now the State, which, concentrated at one of the theatres in this city, would gladly perform voluntarily for such an undertaking, and the people, always charitably inclined, would promptly respond to the appeal. It remains for the profession to carry out the intent of our suggestions, and for ourselves we will gladly aid them in every way in our power.

Goop.—Our friend Adam T. Green Secretary of California No. 4, has been admitted as a partner in the house of Teafe, McCahill & Co. He deserves all the success he has met with.

Insurance.

The Charitable Fund of the Fire Department of this city now amounts to nearly $40,000, and, although the income derived from it is a very large one, still it could be greatly increased by a proper investment of the Fund, and to our mind no other opening presents so favorable an aspect as that of the establishing of an Insurance Company, under the direct and immediate control of the Fire Department. But $50,000 would be required as a capital for the present; and with that a safe and remunerative business could be done. We have heretofore advocated this project, not only publicly through the medium of this journal, but in the Board of Delegates, by the introduction of a resolution calling for a report from the Judiciary Committee, relative to the matter. The Committee then simply reported against the undertaking, without giving any reasons; but we afterwards learned from the chairman of the Committee at that time, Mr. Hossefross, that his principal objection was that, if such an institution was established, it would be used for speculative purposes by parties outside of the Fire Department, and that no benefit would accrue to the members thereof. That we do not think a feasible objection. The Philadelphia firemen formed, years since, an Insurance Office of their own, with a capital of $25,000, and now those companies interested in it draw a splendid income therefrom. The President, Secretary, and Cashier, together with the Directors of the establishment, should be elected by the Fire Department, either through their representatives in the Board of Delegates or by the firemen, at a general election called for the purpose. There is an abundance of material in the organization to select from — men under whose guidance prosperity would be sure to attend the undertaking. From such names as Mahony, Sinton, Kirby, Buckingham, Short, Bovee, McCarthy, Beck, Seligman, Buckley, Chapin, Jones, Hayes, Reed, Gibbs, Cobb, Green, Van Bokkelen, Worn, Bond, Macondray, and fifty others of the same stamp of high-minded and honorable men, a bulwark of safety could be formed, which at all times would protect the interests of the firemen.

The objectionable feature, and the only one, arises from the fact that, under the law providing for the formation of such enterprises, the parties acting as directors and officers of the company are liable, and held for the amount of capital invested, or for the equivalent of stock issued. We have no hesitation in saying that a modification of that portion of the law could be obtained from the present Legislature; and even if it could not in three months from the commencement of business, the premiums would treble the amount invested—for insurance could be taken by a home office at a much lower rate than a foreign agency. All know the losses to the Insurance Companies in San Francisco at the present time are, comparatively speaking, nothing. When the firemen have no other intent than to serve their fellow-citizens, how much less would they be when they knew so great a responsibility rested upon them. We have suggested this matter before to the firemen for their consideration, and in doing so again, believe, if carried out, would be highly advantageous. In a few weeks we will be enabled to lay before our readers, from the pen of our Philadelphia correspondent, a history of the Fireman's Insurance Company of that city.

Parade of the Brannan Association.

The members of the Brannan Fire Association had a fine parade on Tuesday, with their new and magnificent engine and hose carriage, through the principal streets of the city. They formed at Musical Hall at 12 o'clock M., where the engine and hose carriage were located, and where their grand ball had been given on the night previous, and made a dress parade to the Oriental Hotel, where they received their foreman, T. J. L. Smiley, Esq.; after which they returned to the hall. The engine and hose carriage were then brought into the street, and, preceded by the Pioneers and the American Brass Band, they formed a line on Bush street, countermarched, and proceeded on the route. A large delegation of their brother firemen, from the different companies, joined in the procession; after whom came the members of the Association, dressed in their unique and beautiful uniform—which consists of a fluted fire cap, with silver front, surmounted by the figure of a grizzley bear; a cream-colored fire cape, handsomely decorated on the back with scroll work, enclosing the letter "B," and black frock coat and pants; patent leather belt, with the word "Brannan" in silver letters upon it; and gutta-percha leggings to match the cape—making a *tout ensemble* at once neat, tasteful, and serviceable. The parade continued for four hours, passing the engine houses of their brother firemen, who greeted them by the ringing of bells and other exchanges of courtesy and good feeling.

At five o'clock they returned to Musical Hall, where a sumptuous repast had been prepared, and was partaken of by the invited guests and members of the company. After passing an hour in discussing the viands and good cheer, they re-formed in the line of procession. The invited guests and the delegations from the different companies took the engine, and were preceded by the members of the association. In this way they marched to each of the engine houses and escorted the several delegations to their own homes. Their magnificent machine was taken to the Market street store, where it was housed, and the company, preceded by Chief Engineer Whitney, Samuel Brannan, Esq., and several other distinguished citizens, proceeded to their rooms, in the American Theatre building, where they passed a pleasant hour in social conviviality and good-fellowship. Appropriate and happy remarks were made by the foreman, T. J. L. Smiley, Esq., Chief Engineer Whitney, ex-Chief Engineer Nuttman, and Samuel Brannan, Esq. To the noble generosity of the latter gentleman the company are indebted for the superb machine—one of the finest pieces of mechanism in the world—constructed at a cost of $11,000. A full description of the engine has been already published in a former issue. The following is a list of the permanent officers of the association:

Foreman—Thomas J. L. Smiley,
First Assistant Foremen—W. P. Chase.
Second Assistant Foreman—John C. Lane.
Secretary—S. H. Wetherbee.

At a late hour in the evening the members, fatigued by the exercise they had undergone, dispersed to their several homes.

Fires and Alarms.

Feby. 19th, 11¼ P. M. Hall bell alarm; Third District. Cause—smoke from assay office of Wass, Molitor & Co., Merchant street. No damage.

CORRECTION.—In our article last week on Fire Department Cemetery, we mentioned the name of Mr. Fitzgibbons instead of that of Mr. Seward who was killed at the Distillery fire. We make this correction feeling convinced that Mr. Fitzgibbons is abundantly able to take care of his own body.

Editorial Correspondence.

ORLEANS HOTEL,
Sacramento, Feb. 20th, 1857.

The Neptune Hose Company, of which P Holland is foreman, was admitted into the Fire Department on Monday evening last, by a vote of the Common Council—the Board of Delegates having previously voted upon the matter. The company, is to be of no expense to the city for a year. The members, sometime since, purchased the four-wheeled hose carriage formerly owned by Vigilant No. 9, and it has proved to be a very serviceable apparatus. Immediately upon the announcement being made, that the "Neptune's" were part and parcel of the Fire Department, the members assembled at their house on J street, when wine, wit and sentiment prevailed until a late hour. Toasts were given to Chief Engineer Whitney, Ex-Chief Nuttman, Ex-Chief Duane, Ex-President Jones, Mr. Buckingham and others. The *Fireman's Journal* was cheered, and good feeling predominated.

I understand the Neptune's have already had a taste of the troubles of a fireman's life. The resolution adopted by the Board of Delegates admitting them, specified that the company should not be located west of Fourth street and north of L street. When the miserable and almost impassable condition of the streets east of Fourth street and south of L are taken into consideration, the location of a company in either portion of the city, would entirely neutralize their intent. A hose company to be serviceable must be located in a central portion of the city, so as to be in advance of an engine requiring water and not behind. The Common Council however adopted the resolution as it came from the Board of Delegates, and the consequence is the "Neptune's," for the present are without a local habitation.

Chief Engineer Arents intends sending a communication to the Common Council, at their meeting on Monday evening next, relative to the matter, setting forth the uselessness of the company if he is compelled to carry out the intent of the resolution adopted by that body. The "Neptunes," are young men, prompt, energetic and of the highest respectability, and their desire to perform an arduous and voluntary duty, should not be thwarted by indifferent legislation.

The "reform" papers in San Francisco have, I perceive, been in considerable tribulation on account of an alleged discourtesy offered to Mr. E. W. Burr, President of the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco county, by the delegation from that county, in the Legislature. Some papers have *talked* large, and even hinted that the President of the Board might resign in consequence. The whole affair turns out to be a tempest in a tea-pot; and, had Mr. Burr been better posted on parliamentary and legislative usages, his dignity would not have been offended. It appears that a committee meeting of the San Francisco delegation was to be held, before which amendments, offered by members of the committee to the Consolidation Bills were to be submitted for argument upon their feasibility. This fact was known to Mr. Cyrus Palmer, one of the Assemblymen from San Francisco, who when in that city, informed Mr. Burr of the circumstances, and intimated to him that it would not only be advisable for Mr. Burr, but acceptable to the delegation, if he (Burr) would meet with them on that occasion. The meeting was held—Mr. Burr was there, and also my *dear* friend, Horace Hawes; and, to give the devil his due, if it is only for ugliness, the amendments then submitted were not those presented by Mr. Hawes, but were the emanations of various members of the delegation, to which Mr. H. was invited to add his own, and in their elucidation it occupied his time from 7 until 11 o'clock in the evening. All the members of the delegation were present, with the exception of Mr. Jessup, and although Mr. Burr had every opportunity to advance his own views upon the matters then being debated, said but little indeed. Far from the delegation treating with disrespect an official of the character of Mr. Burr, they extended to him every courtesy, as his letter to the *Town Talk* of last Sunday conclusively proves.

The fact of the matter is, if Mr. Burr resigns his Presidency, it will be on account of the inadequateness of the salary attached to the same. Mr. Burr is endeavoring to obtain an increase of his pay; and, although as a citizen I am opposed to the manner in which he was elected into office, and also diametrically opposed to his policy, touching the government of the Fire Department, still I am free to confess the emoluments of his office are not what they should be. His time is wholly occupied with the affairs of the city, and to attend to them honestly, no other business pursuit can occupy his time. If Judge Coon gets a salary of $5,000 per annum for what he does, Mr. Burr is entitled to equal that amount, if not more.

Notwithstanding the terribly inclement state of the weather, Mrs. Hayne, together with the excellent support accompanying her, has been attracting crowded and fashionable houses nightly. During the week she has appeared as "Adrienne," "Camille," as the "Countess" to Mr. Pope's "Huon," in the "Wrecker's Daughter," and "Duke's Wager." Mrs. Judah, Mr. Pope, and Mr. Ryer have given Mrs. Hayne a support better than any other "star" has received in the State heretofore. Mrs. Hayne herself has played with a great deal of spirit, cheered on by that appreciation of her talents entertained by the people of Sacramento, as evinced by the crowded and attentive audiences which greet her every night. The company will leave here about the latter part of next week for San Francisco, where they will open about the 2d of March at "Maguire's Opera House," where they will perform for thirty nights, and then open the American Theatre, which house they have taken on a long lease. At the American, Shakspeare's plays will be brought out as they were originally intended, in point of scenery, costume, and numbers, and no trouble or expense will be spared to render the season a brilliant one.

The *Democratic State Journal* expresses the hope that the Brannan Fire Association will visit Sacramento and other portions of the State for the purpose of exhibiting to the people the apparatus in their possession, which has filled up so large a space in the papers of the day with elaborate descriptions of her beauty.

The Supreme Court, rendered a decision on Tuesday in the case of Monks vs. Hill, which virtually pronounces that monstrosity, the Consolidation Bill, with all its chicanery, knavery and deceit, constitutional. I would not for a moment call into question the sincerity of the Supreme Bench in arriving at the conclusion it has; I am too much adverse to the wholesale denuciation and abuse which the newspapers of the day from interested motives, indulge in against that tribunal, when it sees fit to give a decision which may operate against the interests of those they are paid by and working for. Yet, I think there is inconsistency in their decision in the Burgoyne case, and that of Monks. If the former was right, then the latter must be wrong, or *vice versa*.

As far as the Fire Department is concerned, the result is satisfactory, as a seperate bill for its government may possibly be passed by the Legislature although I doubt it very much. Mr. Hawes has presented some amendments to the San Francisco delegation, of the Consolidation Bill, for adoption. Among them, he gives the Fire Department—TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND dollars for its support instead of $8,000. "Oh! what a rise was there my Countrymen." That amount will be inclusive of salaries, and will be amply sufficient for all practical purposes. It is what I have contended and battled for during the past eight months, and Mr. Hawes acknowledges the justice of the strictures contained in this journal, against that portion of his bill in the amendment he has offered. Independent of salaries, $20,000 will fully pay the expenses of the organization; and I sincerely trust the San Francisco delegation will adopt that amendment of Mr. Hawes, and receive therefore the lasting gratitude of as noble and fearless a body of men as were ever combined together.

There have been several alarms of fire here within the past three or four days, to which the firemen have responded with great promptitude; fortunately their services have not been required. Protection No. 2, had a drill on Wednesday night, about 35 members being present. The engine worked to a charm, and threw a body of water from the butt, not to be trifled with. She works easier than any New York engine in California, and a man can stand to her brakes without inconvenience, even when they are playing the quickest. She may be ranked among the best apparatus in the State.

A benefit is to be given at the Forrest Theatre on Tuesday evening next, by the combined companies of the former and National Theatre, for the purpose of procuring funds to erect a monument over the grave of Charles A. King. B.

That Appropriation.

Now that the Supreme Court has rendered a decision in regard to the Consolidation Bill, it will become necessary for the committee having the Department Law in charge, to proceed immediately to Sacramento and endeavor to secure its passage; and in the discharge of their duty it will require time. The appropriation, therefore, made by the Board of Delegates to pay their expenses is not sufficient, and should be materially increased. The committee should have power to draw upon the Treasurer of the Department for an amount equal to whatever their expenses may be. It is not to be supposed that the gentlemen composing the committee will draw for one farthing more than their expenditures absolutely amount to in the proper fulfillment of their mission. We presume some may say, let the committee pay their expenses and then call upon the Board to refund. But it is a bad policy. We know it from experience—once at Benecia and once at Sacramento. Either let the Board of Delegates appropriate an amount covering all contingencies, or allow the committee to draw for what they may require. We have full faith in that committee, and none will sustain the honor of the organization, to be represented by them, better than they.

THAT HOSE.—We would enquire why some active steps have not been taken to purchase the new hose required by the Department. The committee on subscription were appointed long since. We understand they have diligently attended to their duties, and that a large sum of money has been collected, some reports place the amount at ten thousand dollars. The owners of the hose have not been treated right; for months they have been requested to hold on to the hose, that it would be purchased by the Corporation, or if not, the citizens themselves would subscribe the amount necessary for its purchase, and present it to the Department. Upon the strength of these representations, they have steadily refused all offers from the country to break up the invoice, although, had they done so, probably ere this the whole lot would have been disposed of in small parcels to the interior towns. We have learned from the best authority that should the proper parties having this matter in hand, not make the purchase within the present month, the owners will be compelled to raise the price to two dollars per foot; in this they will be justified from the fact that hose, in the States has advanced materially, and hides and tanned leather are both scarce and high. We trust that the Chief Engineer will confer with the committee and settle the matter at once. The Department greatly need the hose; the money has been subscribed to purchase it, and there is no good reason why each company should not be put in immediate possession of sufficient to enable them to keep in active service.

ALFRED CARSON NOMINATED. — The Board of Foremen and Engineers of the New York Fire Department held a meeting to nominate candidates for Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, at Fireman's Hall, on Wednesday evening, January 14th. Resclutions were adopted, fixing the time of election on Tuesday evening, February 3d, between the hours of 7 and 10. An informal ballot between the two leading candidates was taken, with the following result:

Alfred Carson.....64 votes.
H. H. Howard.....62 "

From this we judge Alfred Carson is by this time the Chief Engineer of the New York Fire Department for the ensuing three years—an office which he has already held for eight years.

FIRES IN 1856.—To the 227 considerable fires in the United States during the last year, where the amount of property destroyed has been estimated to be equal to and upwards of $20,000 at each, the number has been added, wherein the amount destroyed has been less than that sum, and the aggregate amount of property destroyed by fires is estimated at *twenty-seven millions of dollars*. The loss of life by fires during the past year has numbered 183 persons.

THE HERALD.—We congratulate our cotemporary of the *Herald* on the continued success which attends his really valuable journal. In less than one year the San Francisco *Herald* will be the leading commercial paper of the State. May its prosperity still continue.

FIRES.—There were 99 fires in St. Louis last year, involving a loss of $1,273,854, on which there was an insurance to the extent of $684,065. What would the insurance agents of San Francisco say if they were compelled to pay that amount every year?

DESTROYED.—"Snedeckers," a resort, situated on the Jamaica plank road, Long Island, and well known to every New Yorker, was entirely destroyed by fire on Monday, Jan. 8.

LAFAYETTE H. & L. Co.—This efficient company took a benefit at the American Theatre on Tuesday evening last. The Lafayette's were present in full uniform. The house was crowded, and no doubt netted a handsome sum.

OROVILLE. — The fire meeting called for last evening was well attended, there being about fifty of our most substantial and energetic citizens present on the occasion. Mr. Otterson furnished us with the following report of the proceedings:

Meeting being called to order by James McWilliams, George E. Smith, Esq., was elected President, and A. C. Morse Secretary.

On motion, George W. Garriott, John Miller, and Dan'l Otterson were elected a committee to solicit subscriptions for the purpose of purchasing a fire engine for the town of Oroville.

The committee were instructed to ascertain what a suitable engine can be purchased for, and report at the next meeting.

On motion, meeting adjourned subject to the call of the committee.—*Butte Record*, Feb. 16.

MR. J. E. MCDONOUGH.—This gentleman certainly deserves the thanks of the Department for the kind manner in which he has proffered his services to several of our companies in getting up benefits to relieve their straitened finances. On Monday evening he gives Tiger No 14 a benefit; later in the week one to Young America No. 13; and, on his return from Sacramento, in a few weeks, another is to be given to Pennsylvania No. 12. Mr. McD. has expressed his willingness to render his services in aid of any charitable association that may be in need—and such a tender does credit to his heart and mind. He is a perfect gentleman, a sterling actor, and deserves the utmost success.

MAGUIRE'S OPERA HOUSE.—Billy Birch, the "funny man" of the Minstrels, takes a benefit at the Hall this evening. The mere announcement of this fact will be sufficient to crowd the house to its utmost extent. Since Billy has been attached to the Troupe, he has labored faithfully and successfully to please the patrons of the Minstrels, and it is but just that some substantial return should be made him, particularly when, from so small an investment as the price of admission, so much enjoyment can be realized. We predict a full house to-night.

BUNKER HILL.—This diorama is still on exhibition at Concert Hall; where crowds assemble night ly to witness the wonderful performances of Mons. D'Evani and Prof. Risley and sons. The manage ment deserve great credit for their enterprise and exertions to please the public.

To-night Master Charles Risley and La Petite Cerito take a benefit, when Lizzie Burbank Gordon will appear.

THE CONTINENTAL'S BALL.—This grand affair takes place at Musical Hall on Monday evening next. From the exertions being used by the managers we are confident that it will be *the* ball of the season. Tickets should be purchased at once to avoid the rush.

THE WARREN'S BALL.—Our friends in Marysville should bear in mind the ball of the Warren's on Monday evening next. Every exertion will be made by this new company to receive and entertain their guests in the best possible manner.

PACIFIC MUSEUM — Large crowds attend this place of amusement every evening. An excellent band of music is in attendance. Admission is only 50 cents.

CLOTHING. We would call the attention of our readers to the new advertisement of the Quincy Hall Clothing Depot, under the proprietorship of Messrs. Davis and Bowers. They have a fine assortment of gentlemens' clothing. Those in want should call and examine their stock.

BOARD OF DELEGATES.—An adjourned stated meeting of the Board of Delegates will be held at their Chambers, City Hall, on Wednesday evening February 25th 1857, at 7½ o'clock. By order,

JACOB EZEKIEL,
Secy. S. F. F. D.

AMUSEMENTS.

FIREMAN'S BALL.

"Where duty calls, there you'll find us!"

The Warren Engine Co. No. 4 intend giving a BALL for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses of procuring a Machine and apparatus, etc., on MONDAY EVENING, February 23, 1857, at the City Hall.

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MARYSVILLE, January, 1857. ja31 td

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GRAND INAUGURATION OF THIS MAGNIFICENT TEMPLE OF THE MUSES.

THIS NEW AND MAGNIFICENT EDIFICE just erected at an enormous expense, and fitted up in a style equal to any establishment in America, will open on SATURDAY EVENING.....NOV. 20, 1856.

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SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS

Beg leave to return their sicere thanks to the citizens of San Francisco for the kind and liberal patronage heretofore bestowed upon them, and state that they will always endeavor, by producing a continued succession of novelties, to merit the support of their numerous patrons. The popular soirees given by this talented Troupe, which is no complete in every department, (Vocal, Instrumental and Terpsichorean,) will embrace a variety of

Songs, Ballads,
Refrains, Burlesque Operas,
Jigs, Fancy Dances,
Banjo Solos, Comedy,
Tragedy and Farce.

ENTIRE CHANGE OF PERFORMANCE EVERY EVENING.

Prices of Admission:

Dress Circle $1 | Parquette 50 cents
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Doors open at 7 o'clock—Commence at 7½.
Box Office open from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M., when seats can be secured. de8 tf

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Corner of Clay and Sansome Streets.

LAST NIGHT OF

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AND THE

RISLEY TROUPE.

BENEFIT OF

Master Charles Risley and La Petite Cerito,

On which occasion the popular and well known artiste,

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[Late Mrs. O. N. BURBANK,]

Has kindly volunteered her services, being her first appearance for one year in this city.

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The pleasing American Vocalist, will perform in connection with the

BATTLE OF BUNKER HILL,

AND

CONFLAGRATION OF CHARLESTOWN,

AND THE

Fairy Land and Palace of the Fairies.

With LA PETITE CERITO as Queen of the Fairies.

Tickets, 50 cents. Reserved Seats, $1. Children half price.

Doors open at 7 o'clock. Performonce commences at 7 1-2 o'clock.

Open every evening, (Sundays excepted), and on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FIRST ANNUAL SOIREE

OF THE

Washington Continental Guards

IN HONOR OF

WASHINGTON'S BIRTH-DAY,

AT

MUSICAL HALL,

ON

Monday Evening, Feb. 23, 1857.

MANAGERS.

Capt C P Stone, U S A,	Capt F C M Fenn Continls
Lt Wm Gibson, do	Lt H Lake, do
Gen W R Gorham,	Lt A Wason, do
Lt Col J R West, 1st Inf Bat.	F D Kohler, do
Maj Wm N Johnson, do	J Horace Kent, do
Maj S W Newhall, do	Geo W Smith, do
Qm Sgt L F Zantzinger, do	Wm G Woods, do
Capt E A Rigg, Marion Rifles	E Conway, do
Lt E B Zabriskie, do	J Williamson, do
Lt F A Bonnard, do	Maj I Rowell,
Dr J T Hyde, do	Capt Thos Hayes, S F Lan's.
Capt R Farren, S F Blues,	Lt M Hayes, do
Lt M Reese,	Capt R Munroe, Wal Guards
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Maj Wm N Johnson, do	Capt Thos Hayes, S F Lan's.
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Lt M Reese, do	W W Hawks. Esq
Lt M Hayes, S F Lancers.	D J Williamson, Continen'ls

The Ladies' List being Limited, no ladies can be admitted without a general invitation from the Board of Managers. Those gentlemen wishing to accompany ladies, will receive a ladies ticket and invitation from either of the following managers:

Capt F C M Fenn, 94 Montgomery street.
Lt Col J R West, 102 Merchant Street.
C P Stone, 102 Montgomery street.
H. A. Cobb, Esq 102 Montgomery street.

A carriage list will be opened for those that wish to accompany ladies, in due time, in order that gentlemen can enter their ladies names, so as to have them brought to the Soiree in good season.

All military gentlemen are respectfully invited to attend in uniform, without side arms.

Tickets to be had of any of the Manager fe14

GREAT ATTRACTION!

CALIFORNIA MENAGERIE

Removed to the California Exchange,

Corner of Clay and Kearny streets, entrance on Clay.

The Greatest Collection of California Animals ever seen on this Coast.

This collection has lately been enlarged by the addition of an **Ant-eater, Live Rattlesnake, a Sea Lion Prairie Wolf, the Mammoth Pig,** which took the premium at the Fair at San Jose; a WILD GRIZZLY weighing 1,500 pounds; Ben Franklin Grizzly, that twice saved his keeper's life; Victoria, or Brown Russian Bear; one Black Hyena Bear; two Rocky Mountain or White Bears; two Cinnamon Cubs and two Black Cubs—thus forming the "Happy Bear Family." A California Lion and Tiger two Elks, one Fawn, two large Eagles, a California Cat. Skins of numerous Wild Animals stuffed. Nine of these Bears are perfectly docile, and are made to perform numerous and surprising feats by their keepers.

They can be seen for a short time at the CALIFORNIA EXCHANGE, corner of Clay and Kearny streets, entrance on Clay.

Every one should see them. Admittance 25 cents. de10 tf

QUINCY HALL,

CLOTHING DEPOT.

FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH OF

Gentlemen's Clothing

.....AND.....

FURNISHING GOODS,

FOR SALE BY

DAVIS & BOWERS,

No. 151 Washington Street,

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Warranted **Custon Made,** and manufactured expressly for this trade, and will be sold

AT LESS PRICES

than any other establishment on the Pacific Coast.

MARK THIS.

Since the first opening of our Establishment we have always endeavored to keep up the reputation of a first class Store, by suiting every customer, whether a **Stranger** or an **Acquantance,** in **Style, Quality, and Price,** which cannot be surpassed by any other dealer in the same line of business in this city. Whether we have, and are now carrying out that principle, remains for our large number of customers to say.

OUR STOCK CONSISTS OF

COATS,

PANTS,

VESTS,

OVERCOATS,

TALMAS,

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,

Together with Fine

UNDER CLOTHING,

GLOVES, HOSIERY, ETC., ETC.,

We invite the attention of every one to call and examine for themselves.

RECOLLECT THE NUMBER AND PLACE,

151 Washington Street, Montgomery Block,

fe216m DAVIS & BOWERS.

PETER JOB'S

Confectionary Ice Cream Saloon,

211 Washington Street, (Brick Building),

Opposite the Plaza.

Our well known Mr. Peter Job has the pleasure to inform the ladies and gentlemen of San Francisco, that he has since the 1st of February included in his Bill of Fare the most delicious varieties of Game, Vegetables &c.,

.....ALSO.....

FRESH OYSTERS,

Either in the shell, Boiled, Fried or Stewed, at PETER JOB'S Ice Cream Saloon, at the very lowest price of any establishment of the kind in the city.

N. B—Please remember that Peter Job has the most confortable and convenient place for parties to be found in San Francisco.

Private Saloon up Stairs.

fe14tf PETER JOB, 211 Washington Street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SAN FRANCISCO

Daguerrean, Photographic and Melainotype

STOCK DEPOT, 177 Clay Street.

The undersigned would call the attention of operators to his large and general assortment of all articles appertaining to the Daguerrean Art, comprising all kinds of

Cameras—"Voigtlander & Johns" German Cameras, C C Harrison's, and a general assortment from other manufactures.

Complete Apparatus—Such as Coating Boxes, Mercury Baths, Plate Holders, Buffs, Buff Wheels, Peck's and Scovill's Patent Block, Lewis' New Iron Rests, Iron and Chair Head Rests, Gilding Stands.

Cases—Papier-Mache, inlaid in mother of pearl, velvet in and out with clasps and locks, Morocco, lined with velvet, silk and satin, plain and gilt. Also a variety of fancy patterns

Plates of all sizes—Scoville and French 40th of the Star, and other first quality brands.

Chemicals—American, French and German Bromine, Dry and Chloride of Iodine, Hydrofiouric Acid, Cyanide of Potassium, Pure Distilled Mercury, a superior article of Chloride of Gold for gilding, Hyposulphate of Gold, Chlorite of Calcium, Colour's Rotten Stone, Rouge, all excellent articles.

Lamps, Nippers, Glass Funnels, Glass Graduates, Prepared Buckskins, &c. &c.

AMBROTYPES,
Chemicals, Glass Cases and Apparatus,
MELAINOTYPE,

Agency for sale of Patent Rights, Enameled Iron Plates, and General Stock Depot.

All of the best quality, and will be furnished at reasonable rates.

Orders punctually attended to, and satisfaction given.

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WHO is it that took the first CRAYON DAGUERREOTYPE in California?

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WHO is it that took the first STERESCOPIC DAGUERREOTYPE in San Francisco?

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WHO is it that always took DAGUERREOTYPES at moderate prices!

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And I have now secured the assistance of the best Ambrotypist in California, and I will take all kinds of Miniatures superior to any other establishment. Whoever wants two Miniatures, let them go some place else and have one taken, and if I don't produce a better one I will forfeit the price of both Miniatures; and **remember, my prices are only a little more than half those charged at some other establishments.** I do not pretend to have the finest finished rooms, but I do pretend to take better Pictures than can be taken any place else, and at low prices. My experience of upwards of twelve years in the Art, has given me advantages, so that I will always be ahead, and my rents and expenses enable me to work cheaper.

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CORNER CLAY AND KEARNY STREET

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HAVING PURCHASED THE DEGUERREAN GALLERY lately purchased by Mr. FORD, I am now prepared to give my personal attention to taking all kinds of Photographic Pictures, under any of their different names, whether Ambrotypes, Daguerreotypes or Melainotypes. Mr. Ford remains with me, and gives his undivided attention to the making of those magnificent Photographs, which have attracted so much attention during the past year.

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Plain and Colored Photographs taken in the best style at the shortest notice, and at the most reasonable rates. Views of buildings, shipping, or machinery made in any part of the City or State. Strict attention will be given to the taking of sick or deceased persons. The public are invited to call and see our new pictures, also our new styles of lockets, received per John L Stephens.

Remember the place—over Keys & Co.'s Clothing Store. fe143m

Daniel H. Hanrahan,

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FIRST DISTRICT

COURT—Pacific street one door east of Kearny,

fe14tf **P. CROWLY, Constable.**

NAIL

DEPOT.

The undersigned have constantly on hand a large and complete assortment of

CUT NAILS AND SPIKES,

Which we will sell at the lowest market rates, in lots to suit.

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THE UNDERSIGNED HAS NOW ON HAND, AND is constantly receiving well selected invoices of every thing in the

Drug Line,

which will be offered for sale at prices to suit the times. Country orders promptly and faithfully attended to.

JOHN O'BRIEN,
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The Proprietor of the above Saloon announces to his numerous patrons, that feeling grateful for the liberal patronage heretofore bestowed upon his establishment he has made the most complete and perfect arrangements, with which his customers he is sure will be satisfied.

Families can always be supplied on the most reasonable terms with Pound Cake, Sponge Cake, Jelly Cake, Currant Cake and Raisin Cake—price 75 cents each.

Green Fruit, Custard and Pumpkin Pies at 25 cents each. Fancy Cakes of all kinds, Custards, etc., etc., of the choicest kinds, delivered in any part of the city free of charge.

Also, everything in the eating line, such as Meats, Game, etc, therefore give me a call one and all.

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Writing paper, Inks of all kinds, etc., etc,

Turner's building, Sansome Street,

between Clay and Commercial.

Gold Pens and Pocket Cutlery of the best quality constantly on hand.

JAMES H. WINGATE,

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Undertaking & Furnishing

ESTABLISHMENT,

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Has always on hand a large assortment of LEAD and METALLIC COFFINS, and are prepared at all times to disinter bodies and prepare them so that they can be forwarded to any part of the world without danger of further decomposition.

He is always prepared to attend to Funerals with promptness and dispatch.

SOLE AGENT FOR THIS STATE

—OF—

FISK'S PATENT METALLIC BURIAL CASES

And Corpse Preservers,

Office of County Coroner, J. HORACE KENT, and County Sexton, J. T. WALLACE.

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JOSEPH GENELLA,

184 MONTGOMERY STREET,

SIGN OF THE

"BIG PITCHER,"

HAS amply replenished his Stock for the season with every description of

CROCKERY, GLASS AND CHINA WARE,

Fine Cutlery and Fancy Articles,

And of conceivable commodity in his line of business. His store is the best known establishment in the city. His arrangements for procuring the best goods on the very lowest possible terms, are unequaled, and he invites the attention of buyers, as he will not allow a customer to depart who is prepared to pay him a living profit on his goods.

The Country Trade should not disregard this advertisement. Let them call at the "Big Pitcher," and judge for themselves. ja23 3m

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HOLIDAY PRESENTS

....AT....

TUCKER'S,

No. 125

MONTGOMERY STREET,

SAN FRANCISCO.

SUCH AS

WATCHES,

DIAMONDS,

CHAINS,

RINGS,

PINS,

GOLD PENCIL CASES,

BRACELETS,

OF GOLD AND CORAL,

NECKLACES,

OF GOLD, CORAL, AND JET,

MANTLE CLOCKS,

SILVER TEA SETTS,

GOLD CUPS, and

SPOONS,

CASTORS,

KNIVES, &

FORKS.

And as Fine an Assortment of Goods as can be found in the State, at Prices that will suit

THE

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MONTGOMERY STREET.

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G. C. & S. S. SHREVE,

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The entire stock has been selected with strict regard to quality, and consists of

ELEGANT DIAMOND WORK,

Set in the most approved styles; GOLD HUNTING TIMEKEEPERS, from well known Manufacturers; **Rich Silver Ware,** of fashionable designs; **Costly Cameo Pearl and Mosaic Setts,** &c. &c. &c., forming a collection of Rich Goods, which for beauty of finish and quality of material, cannot be supassed. de10tf

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GIVE Notice that they have constantly on hand and for sale genuine GUNS, RIFLES, and PISTOLS, imported direct from the most celebrated manufactories, together with all the materials necessary to the equipment of sportsmen, among which may be found genuine **Derringer Pistols,** and a large assortment of English Dueling and Colt's Pistols.

All the new inventions in Wadding and Caps are received as soon as put in market in the East. Repairing Fire Arms performed in all its branches.

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HATS FOR THE MILLION.

GO TO THE

Corner of Montgomery and Commercial streets, and make your selections from the only complete assortments to be found on the Pacific coast.

Men, Women, and Children, Remember

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OF NEW YORK.

CAPITAL,	**$500,000**
SURPLUS,	**150,000**

NOTICE.—The above Company return a portion of the profits to the Insured, on Policies issued on or after the day of October.

LOSSES settled promptly here by the following Board of Reference:

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C. ADODPHE LOW, Agent. **20 FRONT Street.**
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General Agency and Employment Office,

Under the supervision of the Young Men's Christian Association, San Francisco,

Find Employment for all kinds of HELP—House Servants, Cooks, Seamstresses, Grooms, Coachmen, Farm Hands, Day Laborers, Mechanics, Clerks, Teachers, etc, Chinese Cooks and Laborers supplied.

Bills collected, Houses rented, Loans negotiated, Orders from the country attended to, &c. All business entrusted to our care will receive prompt attention.

Goods Bought on Commission.

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N. E. Cor. Clay and Kearny sts. jy12 3m

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ATTEND exclusively to the prescription and Family Medicine Business, and one of the firm is always in attendance at all hours—NIGHT or DAY.

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SELL only the best quality Articles, and their Prices are LOWER than any establishment in the city.

LITTLE & CO.

EMPLOY no Boys or inexperiensons

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HAVE an Elegant Assortment of Toilet Articles, Perfumery, and Fancy Goods, which are offered at exceedingly low prices.

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PREPARE Rosemary and Castor Oil—the best article in use for beautifying and increasing the growth of the Hair—freeing the Head from Dandruff, preventing the Hair from falling, and preserving its natural color.

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PREPARE the Florentine Tooth Wash and Saponaceous Tooth Powder, elegant and useful articles for whitening and cleaning the Teeth, preserving its natural color.

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PREPARE the world-renowned Devine's Pitch Lozenges, from the original recipe of Dr. Wm Devine, universally acknowledged to be very efficacious for Coughs, Colds, and Consumption Price only 25 cents, or five for one dollar.

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ARE Agents for all the Popular Patent Medicines, and sell the Genuine Articles at the very lowest rates.

LITTLE & CO.,

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170 Montgomery Street,

ja24 6m Between Clay and Commercial.

RICES REDUCED!

DR. DODGE,

SURGEON DENTIST.

163 California Street.

TEETH EXTRACTED	$1 00
TEETH FILLED	3 00
TEETH INSERTED	2 00
TEETH CLEANED	1 00

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W. ELLIOT..... H. P. DREW

Family Grocery

AND PROVISION STORE,

Southeast cor. California and Montgomery sts.

ELLIOT & CO., successors to L. Robie, have constantly on hand the best and finest qualities of GROCERIES, selected expressly for

HOUSEKEEPERS' AND FAMILY USE,

for sale at low cash prices.

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HODGE & WOOD,

IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN

BLANK BOOKS,

STATIONARY, CHEAP PUBLICATIONS,

No. 116 Clay Street, second door below Sansome.

N. B.—Particular attention paid to filling Country Orders. ja31 tf

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EX SHIP FLYING FISH

New Raisins—100 boxes;
Figs—500 drums. For sale by
BRADSHAW & CO.

NEW STORE!

Mansfield & Wood,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

CLOTHING WAREHOUSE.

SOLE AGENCY FOR THE SALE OF

WYMAN & CO.'S

SUPERFINE CLOTHING,

159 and 161 Montgomery Street,

OPPOSITE MONTGOMERY BLOCK,

ARE NOW PREPARED TO OFFER THE

Largest and Best Assorted

STOCK

EVER EXHIBITED IN CALIFORNIA

COMPRISING

ALL THE LATEST STYLES

CLOTHING,

And every variety of superior quality

Gentlemens' Furnishing Goods!!

ALSO,

Lorin Brooks'

FINE CALF, PATENT LEATHER DRESS

AND WATER-FROOF

BOOTS.

ALSO,

A LARGE STOCK OF BEST STYLES

SOLE LEATHER TRUNKS,

VALISES, CARPET AND PATENT

LEATHER TRAVELING BAGS,

Umbrellas, etc., etc.

N. B.—Particular attention paid to orders from measurement for OFFICERS of the ARMY AND NAVY, and all those who wish the best quality CLOTHING made in the most approved style. ja31 tf.

SAGO & TAPIOCA—

1000 pounds Sago,
3000 pounds Rio Tapiaca,
Now landinding, 106 from Boston, Ex Flying Fish, for sale by
BRADSHAW & CO.

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Imperial Fire Insurance Co,

LONDON.

ESTABLISHED IN 1803.

Cash Capital ($8,000,000) Eight Millions.

Having been appointed Agents in California for the above old-established Company, the undersigned are desirous of drawing public attention to the superior advantages afforded by insuring in this office. These arise from the fact that the Agents of this Company are vested with full powers to grant policies, and to settle losses at once, and without being obliged to forward the papers to England for approval.

The Imperial Fire Insurance Company, having for many years had Agencies established in India, China, Manilla etc., have had great experience in foreign business, and the instructions received from the Head Office evince a spirit of liberality which will be appreciated by the inhabitan of San Francisco.

The undersigned will be happy to supply insurers with full particulars, upon application at their office

FAULKNER, BELL & CO.,
a14 128 California street

Monarch Fire Assurance Co.,

OF LONDON.

Office of San Francisco Agency, 126 California Street.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS FUND $2,900,000
SPECIAL FUND - - - - $150,000,
[Held by Trustees in New York to meet Losses.]

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FIRE INSURANCE.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY,

Of Liverpool and London.

Capital Ten Million of Dollars!!

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The amount of the capital of this company viz:—

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The Company will ever distinguish itself by its promptness in the settlement of claims.

Parties desirous to effect insurance will be furnished with all necessary information by

McKINLAY, GARRIOCH & CO.,
California street,
Corner of Leidesdorff street.
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CAPS. CAPS.

R. H. ADAMS,

175 Clay Street, ...**San Francisco.**

SELLS the **Best Moleskin Hats** that can be manufactured for **Eight Dollars.**

Boys' and Childrens' Hats and Caps of every description at very low prices. Ladies' Riding Hats and Caps of the very latest styles. Also, a large assortment of Ladies' Riding Gloves and Whips. Gents' Soft Hats of every color, shape and quality, with a fine assortment of **Canes** and **Umbrellas,** which will be sold at unprecedented low prices. Hats and Caps of every description made to order at the shortest notice. R. H. ADAMS.

No. 175 Clay street, Arcade Hat Emporium.
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Wines and Liquors.

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ROEDER, E R—Cabinet of Schreider,
SCHREIDER, quarts and pints;
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.... It is reported of the late Emperor Nicholas of Russia, that, averse as he always was to flattery, he yet derived considerable gratification from the apt compliment of Tagliona, the famous *danseuse*. Nicholas frequently visited the theatres in St. Petersburgh, and on one occasion, in passing Tagliona, who was then upon the stage, waiting for the scene to be drawn aside, he noticed that her glance followed him. He inquired pleasantly the cause.

"I was only thinking," replied she, with her best smile, "of how well you look your part."

That, it must be confessed, was an important one, and the stage a large one—comprising a sixth of the habitable globe.

.... "Oh, I met such a beautiful girl in the street to-day!" said a gentleman to a lady friend, to whom he was doing the agreeable not many evenings since; "she was dressed in deep mourning; I think I never beheld a more charming face." "Who could it have been?" said his listener, smoothing down her bombazine dress, and glancing at the crape folds, to see if they were properly adjusted; "pretty, do you say? Who could it have been?—*I wasn't out!*"

.... Vidocq, the celebrated detective of the French police, had the most extensive wardrobe of any man alive, and was a capital actor. His dresses and his skill in mimicry were essential to him, as it was only by their aid that he could acquaint himself with facts it was necessary his government should be advised of. Like many men of the same class, away from the "profession," he was a perfect gentleman, and kind-hearted to a high degree.

.... Some wild boys prowling around the docks in Brooklyn, a few nights since, found the watchman on one asleep, with his pistol and flask of powder alongside of him. Hooking everything they wanted, they sprinkled the powder in a circle around him, laid a train to a safe distance, and "let her blaze." It is supposed that the watchman, at the moment of awakening, had his doubts about the stability of the whole sublunary arrangement.

.... No courtier could have paid a more delicate compliment than the following, from one whose calling does not lie particularly in that way: At a market a lady, laying her hand upon a joint of veal, said: "I think, Mr. Smith, this is not as white as usual." "Put on your gloves, ma'am," said the butcher, "and you will think differently."

.... A young lady returning late from a concert as it was raining, ordered the coachman to drive close to the pavement, but was still unable to step across the gutter. "I can lift you over it," said coachy. "Oh, no, I'm too heavy" said she. "Why, bless ye, marm, I'm used to lifting barrels," replied Jehu.

.... George D. Prentice, of the Louisville *Journal*, contradicts the report of his intention to remove from Louisville to St. Louis, and remarks that it is not his intention to leave the *Journal* until the breath leaves *him*. He is still ill at St. Louis, where he had gone on a visit, but recovering.

.... A drama by Mr C. W. Tayleure, entitled "Beauchampe, or the Kentucky Tragedy," founded upon the murder of Col. Sharpe, at Frankfort, Ky., by young Beauchampe, in 1826, is being prepared for an early production at the Holiday Street Theatre, Baltimore.

.... One of the horses presented to Daniel Webster by the merchants of New York, was stolen from the stable of D. G. Leavitt, Lowell, by a man calling himself Johnson, on Thursday last.

....The first branch of the Baltimore City Council has adopted an ordinance establishing a better police system, and increasing the police force to four hundred men, who are to be armed with revolvers.

.... Charles W. Lynde, Esq., of Brooklyn, made to his nephews and neices Christmas presents likely to be remembered with gratitude—amounting in the whole to the handsome sum of $25,000.

.... Woman is like ivy—the more you are ruined the closer she clings to you. A vile old bachelor adds: Ivy is like woman—the closer it clings to you the more you are ruined. Poor rule that don't work both ways. Knock down that bachelor.

.... A man met an old woman in an English town driving several asses. "Adieu, mother of asses," cried he. "Adieu, my son," was the old crone's reply. The fellow went his way, feeling for his ears.

"What is a rebus?" innocently asked a lovely miss of a black-eyed lad. Imprinting a kiss on her breathing lips, he replied: "If you will now return the compliment, that will be a re-buss?"

.... "Thank you," said the boy, as he turned over in bed to adjust himself for a new nap; "thank yon, but I never allowed myself to eat anything during the night!"

.... While Mr. Brady was addressing the court for the defence in Huntington's case, on Monday, Huntington was heard to say: "A splendid farce, this! a capital joke, by gad!"

.... The arms of a pretty girl wound tight around your neck has been discovered to be an infallable remedy in case of sore throat. It beats pepper all hollow.

.... "I say, John, where did you get that loafer's hat?" "Please yer honor," said John, "it's an old one of your's that Missis gave me yesterday, when you were to town."

.... There is a young woman so modest that she had a young man turned out of doors for saying the wind had shifted.

.... A manufacturing wire-worker, in an advertisement, invites the public to come and see his invisible wire fences.

.... Wasn't it mean in Powers to chisel a poor Greek slave out of a little piece of marble?

.... When is charity like a top? When it begins to hum.

.... "I'm going to draw this beau into a knot," as the lady said when standing at the hymenial altar.

.... There was once a man so intensely polite that, as he passed a hen on her nest, he said: "Don't rise, ma'am."

.... What kind of a face should an auctioneer have?" A face that is for-bidding.

.... Why is a butcher's cart like his boots? Because he carries his calves there.

.... Why are worn-out shoes like children without parents? Because they are left off 'uns.

.... Rossini says Verdi's operas crack voices as a squirrel cracks nuts.

.... Why is a retired carpenter like a lecturer? Because he's an ex-plainer.

.... The boy that undertook to suck an egg-plant and was choked by the yolk has recovered.

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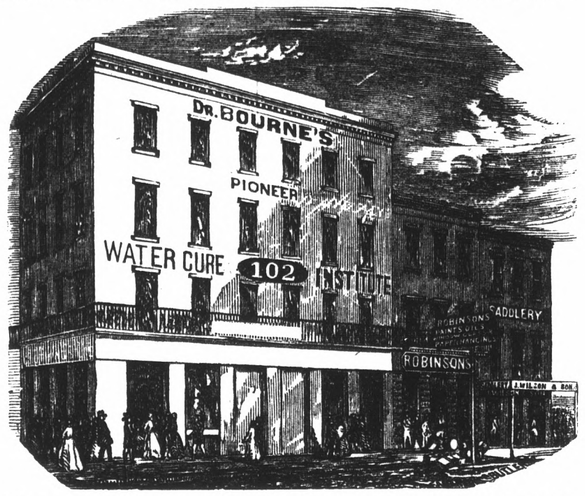

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CORRECTED MAY 1ST, 1856.

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Avails himself of the present occasion to add that the House has been thoroughly painted, and otherwise improved by alterations and new Furniture, that he is not unmindful of the patronage received from the State and those visiting our shores. Relying upon the public and and community for support, and assured that success depends upon well directed efforts to procure at all times the best the market affords, (in order to satisfy the wants of his guests,) he will endeavor to make this a prominent object, and make the Exchange the best and most popular Hotel in the State.
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Alton, Ill	Geneva, N Y	Philadelphia, Pa
Anderson, Ind	Green Castle, Ind	Piqua, O
Ann Arbor, Mich	Hamilton, O	Pontiac, Mich
Auburn, N Y	Indianapolis, Ind	Pottsville, Pa
Battle Creek, Mich	Jackson, Mich	Providence, R I
Beloit, Wis	Janesville, Wis	Quincy, Ill
Belvidere, Ill	Kalmazoo, Mich	Racine, Wis
Binghamton, N Y	Kenosha, Wis	Reading, Pa
Bloomington, Ill	Kenton, O	Richmond, Ind
Boston, Mass	Keokuk, Iowa	Rochester, N Y
Buffalo, N Y	La Fayette, Ind	Rockford, Ill
Burlington, Iowa	La Salle, Ind	Rock Island, Ill
Cambridge, Ind	Lewiston, N Y	Sandusky, O
Canandagua, N Y	Lockport, N Y	Sheboygan, Wis
Chicago, Ill	Louisville, Ky	Sidney, O
Cincinnati, O	Madison, Wis	Silver Creek, N Y
Cleveland, O	Mansfield, O	South Bend, Ind
Columbus, O	Marion, O	Springfield, Ill
Corning, N Y	Marshall, Mich	Springfield, O
Crawfordsville, Ind	Michigan City, Ind	St Louis, Mo
Davenport, Iowa	Middletown, O	Stonington, Conn
Dayton, O	Milwaukee, Wis	Syracuse, N Y
Delaware, O	Monroe, Mich	Terre Haute, Ind
Detroit, Mich	Mt Vernon, O	Tiffin, O
Dowagiac, Mich	Newark, O	Toledo, O
Dubuque, Iowa	New York, N Y	Troy, O
Dunkirk, N Y	Niagara Falls, N Y	Urbana, O
Elgin, Ill	Niles, Mich	Utica, N Y
Elkhart, Ind	Norwalk, O	Washington, Ill
Elmira, N Y	Oberlin, O	Westfield, N Y
Elyria, O	Oswego, N Y	West Liberty, O
Erie, Pa	Owego, N Y	Winchester, Ind
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THE CELEBRATED
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In all diseases of the Stomach and Digestive Organs, the German Tonic and Aromatic Bitters surpass any medicine that has ever been devised. By a peculiar process of German chemistry, they possess the power of warming and invigorating the functions of the Stomach, while they diminish the feverish sensibility of the nerves and fibre.

They fortify and strengthen a weak stomach, and quickly dissipate all unpleasant pains and symptoms. They calm spasmodic action; restore the lost appetite; promote digestion; and, in a word, remove, with astonishing power, all the disorders occasioned by weakness and debility, provided the patient be not afflicted with indissoluble organic obstructions.

These Bitters are highly esteemed in the West Indies and southern part of the United States, for nourishing and invigorating the nervous system, and acting as a general restorative on debilitated constitutions, arising from bilious complaints contracted in warm climates.

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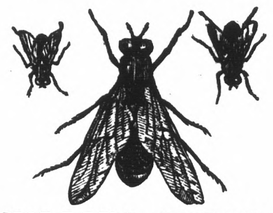

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SAMUEL ADAMS, Wholesale and Retail Druggist and Apothecary, corner of Clay and Dupont streets, San Francisco. One of the largest assortments of Drugs, chemicals, and approved Medicines, that can be found and constantly increasing by direct importation.
Ships' Medicine Chests replenished. je2 3m

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A FULL ASSORTMENT OF POWDERS, COMpounds, Tinctures, Pills, Syrups, Conserves, and Herbs, put up by celebrated Thompsonian Dealers in Philadelphia, New York and Boston.
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MEDICINES for diseases of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Dogs, and other domestic animals, prepared from the most effective and successful recipes, and sold by
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THESE PILLS are prepared from a Recipe of the virtues of which the proprietors have received repeated testimonials, and are designed to meet the wants of those who have often enquired after a good, reliable Family Pill, and can be confidently recommended as highly useful in all cases of Costiveness, Billious diseases, Dyspepsia, derangement of the Stomach and Bowels, Headaches, Rheumatic pains, &c, &c, and particularly recommended in all cases where a gentle aperient is required.
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FOR removing SUPERFLUOUS HAIR from the face or other parts. This Composition is entirely new and exempt from all corrosive properties, easy, safe, speedy and effectual in its operations, and is a desirable article for the Toilet.
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THIS PASTE is peculiar in its Composition and effects softens the Corn, Wart, or callous excrescence so that they will be entirely destroyed by a few applications, and thus every person afflicted can be his own Corn Doctor for the low price of One Dollar. Prepared and for sale by
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FOR THE CURE of Diseases arising from the impurity of the blood, such as Scrofulous, leprous, and Cutaneous Affections, Biles, Salt Rheum, Rash, Pimples on the Face, Prickly Heat, Fever and Miners' Sores, Scorbutic affections from an injudicious use of mercury, imprudence in life, and from change of climate.
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California Steam Navigation Co.
Departure from Pacific Wharf.
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.
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STEAMER NEW WORLD, Capt. Sam'l Seymour.
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One of the above Steamers will leave Jackson Street Wharf every day at 4 o'clock P M, (Sundays excepted,) for
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Connecting with light draft Steamers for
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FOr further particulars enquire at the office of the company, corner Jackson and Front streets.
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Russian Steam Baths and Mineral Baths,
ON MEIGGS' WHARF.

THE FIRST AND ONLY COLD AND WARM SALT WATER BATHS, on the Pacific Coast, are now opened to the public in the beautiful large building on Meiggs' Wharf, North Beach. The construction of the natural Sea Water Baths surpasses every establishment of this kind. It affords not only the fullest security, but excludes the disagreeable draughts of the winds, and leaves full action of the waves, which is the principal necessity of sea bathing; thus rendering the privilege of the ocean not only to the strong, but also to the feeble. The Warm Sea Baths are constructed in the finest possible style, and every Bath furnished with a strong douche, so desirable to produce a reaction of the skin. Both Baths are highly recommended to invalids suffering with colds, rheumatism, chronic diseases and those calamities which a change of climate inflicts upon the human system. The Russian Steam Bath, long renowned in the world as the only sure specific against colds is put up with the greatest convenience and the newest improvements, and this with the strong power-douche of Sea Water, renders it preferable to every other construction in this branch. Using Fresh Water for douche often increases the cold, and adds new pains to those felt before applying steam.

Ladies and Gentlemen patronizing us will find neatly furnished parlors, where every attention will be paid; and to bathers the utmost care will be rendered by polite female and male attendants. Omnibuses running from Rincon Point to our establishment will offer every facility and convenience or arrival, and the picturesque situation will render the trip the more pleasant. Invalids from abroad calling upon us, will have the best opportunity of taking a complete Bath-cure; a series of splendidly furnished rooms, commanding a fine view, are kept solely for our patrons. Skilful Physicians and faithful servants will attend those who seek relief in our establishment. To respond to every call we furnish Sulphur and other Mineral Baths for a speedy and complete cure.

To keep pace with the times, and to deserve attention and the patronage of the public, we charge the lowest possible prices.

The great utility of this enterprise as well as the advantages offered by the proprietors, will convince every body that it should be sustained for the good of mankind. Therefore, Ladies and Gentlemen of San Francisco, and of the State of California, give us your favor and patronize the SEA BATHS of DR. BRUNS & CO.,
jy12 3m Meiggs' Wharf, North Beach.

THE PAVILLION.
THIS WELL KNOWN BOWLING AND BILLIARD Saloon, formerly the Excelsior having been thoroughly refitted and renovated was re-opened yesterday evening. The Alleys (eight in number) have been put in order, and Billeard players will here find the best slate bed tables in the country. The bar will be supplied with the choicest liquors in the state. To conform with the times, ten pins and billiards will be only TWENTY-FIVE CENTS A GAME, and liquors at corresponding reduced rates.
The PAVILLION is now one of the neatest and most spacious establishments of the kind in California, and the undersigned late of the Albion will spare no pains to merit the patronage of the public.
A. S. ALLEN, No 81 Montgomery street
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Longworth's Wines.
Longworth's Sparkling Isabella;
Longworth's Sparkling Catawba;
Longworth's & Zimmermann's Dry Catawba;
Longworth's Sweet Catawba,
All late importations. Received and for sale by
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PHOENIX
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
OF BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

CASH APITAL...$200,000. | SURPLUS FUND...$50,000
TOTAL....$250 000.

All paid in cash and securely invested.
Office, No. 365 Fulton street, Brooklyn; Branch Office, No. 64 Wall street, New York.
THE UNDERSIGNED having been appointed Agent for California, is prepared to issue policies here.
He is also authorized to settle losses upon terms of the same liberality as the Home Office. Office of the San Francisco Agency, 112 Montgomery st.
San Francisco, June 16th, 1856. E. W. CROWELL
jy26 2m

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PRODUCE COMMISSION MERCHANTS
And Dealers in
FLOUR, GRAIN, &c., &c.
Corner of East and Merchant Streets,
Between Clay and Washington Streets,
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CALIFORNIA LINE,
NEW YORK & SAN FRANCISCO.
Having established a line of first class clippers to sail regularly from
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On the days advertised, we shall rely upon our California friends for their aid and co-operation in maintaining the same.
We shall have none but First Class Vessels, fast sailers, well ventilated, and in every way superior; and shippers may rely upon promptness and dispatch.
We desire to make this peculiarly THE CALIFORNIA LINE, and the avantage of every California of ship by it: and by our efforts and attentions hope to merit their full and undivided patronage.
Goods forwarded from any part of the country to New York will be carefully received by us, and promptly forwarded free of Commission.
WM. T. COLEMAN & CO.,
91 Wall Street, New York.

Northern Assurance Company
Established in 1836.
INCORPORATED BY ACT OF PARLIAMENT
CAPITAL.....£1,259,760

HEAD OFFICES:
LONDON, ABERDEEN, BELFAST, EDINBURGH, GLASGOW, and DUBLIN.

THE 20th ANNUAL MEETING OF THIS Company was held on the 13th instant, when the following results of the business for the year ending the 31st of January of last, were submitted to the proprietors and policy holders:

Fire Department.

Premiums for the year, £17 850 19s 9d.: which after payment of all losses and expenses, and provision for all outstanding claims, left to the credit of profit and a net balance of £13,298 13s 3d.

Life Department,

Premiums of 567 new Policies issued during the year	£8 686 00 00
Renewal Premiums and Interest	£53 498 7 11
Total revenue for the year	£62 184 7 11
Claims during the year	£18,918 19 6
Number of Policies current, 3834 for capital sums amounting to	£1,535 850

Finance,

Amount of invested funds, upwards of	£300,000
Revenue from all sources above	£140,000

Declaration of Bonus.

The Company having this year completed the fourth quinquennial period of its existence, the Directors after a careful investigation into the Life Department, resolved to recommend, from the profits of the past five years, a bonus present and prospective to the the policy holders of the participating class, of £1 7s. 6d. per cent. per annum on all policies current at the 31st of January last; and although from the Report of the Committee of Investigation, it appeared that a considerably higher bonus might have been declared, the meeting resolved to adopt the recommendation of the Directors, and to carry forward the surplus for appropriation at the declaration of profits to take in 1861.

Dividend.

At the same time the directors having recommended that the Dividend to the shareholders for the past year be increased from 6 to 7½ per cent. on the paid-up capital, the same was adopted accordingly.

Progress of the Company During the Past Five Years.

	Fire Department. £ s. d.	Life Department. £ s. d.
Revenue from May 1, 1851, to April 30, 1849	10,819 1 5	37,120 11 1
Revenue from May 1, 1852, to April 30, 1853	13,431 13 9	39,357 4 9
Revenue from May 1, 1853, to April 30, 1854	29,824 4 7	42,358 12 4
Revenue from May 1, 1854 to Jan. 31, 1855, (nine months)	37,308 0 0	33 874 2 11
Revenue from Feb. 1, 1855 to Jan. 17, 1856	77,850 19 9	62,184 7 11

June 17, 1856.

SMITH BROTHERS & CO.
Corner California and Battery streets. AGENTS,

Anchor Gin in Bond.
10 PIPES WHITE, and very fine flavor;
For sale by
au30-1m GOODWIN & CO. & MEEKER.
121 Front st., cor. Oregon.

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CATERERS,

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J. Y. HALLOCK & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN
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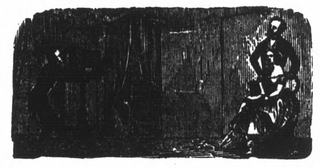

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PATENT AMBROTYPES
ner of Sacramento and Montgomery streets.

To those who wish something New and BEAUTIFUL:—We have purchased the Patent Right of CUTTING AMBROTYPES for this State, and are now prepared to take them in a style unequalled in the United States, of any size, from the smallest minature to life size.
I hereby denounce all Pictures taken on Glass in this city or State, and called Ambrotypes, as sogus, and a fraud upon the public, being a miserable imitation of the genuine article. I would say to all who have been deceived and swindled with Bogus Pictures, not to condemn this new and beautiful invention until they have seen the GENUINE AMBROTYPES. They are said to be the most durable Picture known, as neither acids, water, or dampness of any kind, can affect them. Those having Daguerreotypes which they wish to preserve FOREVER, would do well to have them copied in Ambrotype.
Great attention will be paid to GROUPING. Groups from 2 to 30 can be made perfect. Persons can now be taken with Regalias, Military or Fireman dress, without having the insignias or letters reversed.
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We still continue to execute our splendid Premium Daguerreotypes as usual: Having made great and extensive additions to our Gallery, for the purpose of making and exhibiting our Ambrotype Pictures, we would be pleases to have our work examined. Our Gallery is FREE to all.
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—BY—
J. W. TUCKER,
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—The following:—
Diamond Crosses; Diamond Ear-Rings;
Diamond Finger-Rings;
Diamond Watches; Diamond Necklaces, &c.
WATCHES OF ALL KINDS.
Gold Cups; Gold Spoons;
TEA AND DINNER SILVER SETS made of the purest silver, and of the latest patterns.
A fine collection of CAMEO and MOSAIC Pins, Ear Ring and Bracelets. Also—a fine assortment of Frosted Work, Bracelets, Pins and Ear Rings. Buttons, Studs, Amulets Pencils, Gold Headed Canes, etc., etc. For sale cheaper and better than can be had at any other store in California
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Corner of Drumm and California streets,
J. R. GREENOUGH, } SAN FRANCISCO.
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NATHANIEL GRAY,
UNDERTAKER,
Sacramento near Dupont Street,
SAN FRANCISCO.
A large assortment of Plain and superior Mahogany and Common Coffins, constantly on hand. Also, SHROUDS, COLLARS and CRAVATS.
TOMB-STONES furnished to order. je28-3m

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BOOTS AND SHOES,
On hand, and receiving the BEST RETAIL STOCK ever offered in San Francisco, all selected and manufactured by me, expressly for this market. My assortment consists of
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Of every style and variety, for Gentlemen. I have a complete assortment of the same article of
MY OWN MANUFACTURE,
Will manufandeture to Order, at the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms. Having selected the stock myself, everything made in my shop will be Warranted not inferior, in make, material or style, to any in this city.
☞ Call at our Boot and Shoe Store, corner of Battery and Commercial streets.
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